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		1720.1005	10/694,989
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	COUNTRY	TRANSLATION YES NO		ENGLISH ABSTRACT
	AG	2001-274875	10-2001	Japan	Relevant portions		X
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OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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JP Document No. 1997-261227A was previously disclosed by the Applicants in an Information Disclosure Statement filed May 21, 2008 and is presently cited in the Notification of Reason for Refusal dated November 18, 2008.

ATTACHMENT 1(f)

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It is requested that the Examiner acknowledge his consideration of application(s) below-listed by initialling same in the space provided adjacent each such application and that the Examiner sign and date this form at the bottom thereof to confirm such consideration having been given.

This submission in no way represents an admission that any of the information listed herein constitutes prior art with respect to the subject application; and unless and until such prior art status is established, this submission is not a request that the information presented herein be printed on the face of any patent issuing from the subject application in which this information is being filed.

U.S. PATENT APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

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	B2							

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				TRANSLATION YES NO	
	B3	Notification of Reason for Refusal issued November 18, 2008 in Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-314650 (2 pages with 2 additional pages of English language translation)		X	
	B4	U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Action mailed January 8, 2009 in the related co-pending Application No. 11/687,687		X	

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